

To subscribe to this newsletter via email, fill out this form at <http://eepurl.com/b2Rk9T>. You will then receive an automated email. Reply to this automated email to secure your free subscription.

Newsletter (PDF version): <http://bit.ly/NeighborhoodAdvisory-2018-10-16>

1. Early Voting Begins Tomorrow
2. Parkridge Plans Annual Home Tour
3. Oakwood Lincoln Park Gets Crafty
4. West Hills Elects New Board
5. Recode Round Three Starts Next Week
6. Board of Zoning Appeals Meets Oct. 18
7. City Public Service Switches from Brush to Leaf Collection
8. Five Points Up Hosts Steps For Health
9. KKB Hosts Get Off Your Glass Recycling Day
10. [Neighborhood and Government Calendar](#) (clickable to online calendar)

Published by the City of Knoxville's Office of Neighborhoods to report news important to Knoxville's residential neighborhoods. Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-4382. News deadline: 5 p.m. Mondays.

[Like us on Facebook:](https://www.facebook.com/KnoxvilleNeighborhoods) <https://www.facebook.com/KnoxvilleNeighborhoods>

1. Early Voting Begins Tomorrow

Early voting for state and federal general elections begins Wednesday, Oct. 17, and ends Thursday, Nov. 1, with Election Day on Nov. 6. To learn if you are registered, where to vote, and when to vote, call the Knox County Election Commission at 215-2480 or visit their [website](#).

Voter registration ended Oct. 9. If you are registered to vote, bring a valid photo I.D. with you to your polling location. It is not necessary to bring your voter registration card.

If you do not have a photo I.D., you can obtain a free photo ID to vote from the Department of Safety and Homeland Security at any participating driver service center across the state. You may use the "express service" line at the driver service center to obtain your photo ID and minimize wait times. Visit the Department of Safety and Homeland Security's [Voter Photo ID page](#) for more information. To find out more about the hours, closure advisories, self-service kiosks and other services offered by the Strawberry Plains Driver Service Center, 7320 Region Lane, visit the [website](#).

Early voting will generally be available Monday through Friday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. For a list of specific times and locations, visit the [Knox County Election Commission](#).

2. Parkridge Plans Annual Home Tour

Mark your calendars! The Spirits of Parkridge Home Tour will take place on Sunday, Oct. 28, from 1-6 p.m., starting at Trotta Montgomery Real Estate, 2300 Magnolia Ave.

This annual fall event features historic homes from the 1890-1920s eras, some of which were designed by the famous 19th to early 20th century Victorian Home designer, George C. Barber.

Come and enjoy the culture and history of the Parkridge community! Parkridge is an urban community built mostly in the 1880s to 1930s, nestled just two miles from downtown Knoxville, and tightly connected by sidewalks and walkable streets. The neighborhood has gained notoriety for having the largest concentration of George Barber Homes in the Nation, especially in the Edgewood-Park City Historic District.

In addition to the historic walking tour, neighbors will also get a chance to tour 30 homes not typically open to the public. Parking is available at Ashley Nicole Park, 620 Winona St. Participants are encouraged to walk or bike the tour.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 day-of-event. Visit the [Parkridge Community Organization](#) webpage for more information, to purchase tickets, and learn more about Parkridge history.

3. Oakwood Lincoln Park Gets Crafty

The **Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association** (OLPNA) is planning a few activities to encourage creativity in the neighborhood.

First, OLPNA is hosting a Halloween Decorating contest. Each resident who decorates their home for Halloween can bring a photograph to the OLPNA neighborhood meeting on Monday, Nov. 5. Residents will vote on their favorite home decorations. Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Second, OLPNA is hosting the 2nd Annual Holiday Maker's Market & Vintage Sale on Saturday, Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Clubhouse, 916 Shamrock Ave. Come support local artisans, find fabulous vintage treasures and purchase wonderful holiday gifts.

For more information about the Holiday Maker's Market follow OLPNA on [Facebook](#).

4. West Hills Elects New Board

Last night, West Hills Community Association elected a new board. Rueben Pelot, a multiple term president and active neighbor, presided over the meeting.

New board members include: President, Donnie Ernst; Vice-President, Chuck Anderton; Secretary, Cindy Johnson; Treasurer, Clara Hardin; and committee chairs, Betty Patton, AB Kliefoth, Lee Hume, Divina Morganstern, Ali Brewer, Richard Clark, and Clarence Hill.

West Hills also has an Executive Committee that includes 16 other members to make up their board.

The board is actively involved with interests in beautification, zoning issues, traffic concerns, and more.

5. Recode Round Three Starts Next Week

If you want to learn more about Recode, have your questions answered, or share your input, attend one of the five meetings hosted by Knoxville Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) and Office of Neighborhoods.

See the Office of Neighborhoods [calendar](#) for dates and locations near you. You can also visit the [Facebook Page](#) to share the events.

6. Board of Zoning Appeals Meets Oct. 18

Seven properties are on the agenda for the Oct. 18, meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). Addresses on the agenda include 2012 N. Broadway, 619 Women's Basketball Hall of Fame Dr., 500 State St., 4101 Clinton Hwy, 2218 Spence Pl., 506 Rockingham Dr., and 400 Merchant Dr.

Established by city ordinance, BZA hears appeals on properties denied building permits by the city's Building Inspections Department. The board, consisting of five citizens appointed by the Mayor, meets at 4 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the City County Building Small Assembly Room, 400 Main St.

Keep up with how the BZA might impact your neighborhood. Watch for signs indicating a pending decision on a particular piece of property. Most signs are for Metropolitan Planning Commission issues --- which are also important --- but signs with the word "variance" are BZA items. (Learn how MPC changed the way it handles [notification signs](#).)

The BZA agenda is posted on the city website. Browse the [City Boards](#) and click on Board of Zoning Appeals. The agenda is posted no later than the Monday prior to the BZA meeting each month.

A neighborhood group interested in BZA concerns can call the Plans Review & Inspections Department at 215-3669 to request and study the paperwork on a particular appeal, decide whether to take a position on the appeal, and then attend the BZA meeting to voice the group's support or objections. A group can also request a postponement to allow time to meet with the applicant.

Decisions of the BZA can be appealed within 15 days of the BZA decision to Knoxville City Council. Appeals of a City Council decision are made to Chancery Court within 60 days of a City Council decision related to BZA.

The next BZA Meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 4 p.m., in the Small Assembly Room.

7. City Public Service Switches from Brush to Leaf Collection

The last full rotation of brush collection will be Oct.15-26, before crews switch out equipment to focus on leaf collection! Be sure to get your brush piles out to the curb this week!

With fall upon us, the leaves will soon begin to gather; taking time and priority for Public Service pick up crews. The equipment used for leaf collection is specifically designed for leaves, and other brush and trash items can clog or damage the machines. Please keep the following tips in mind when cleaning your yard this fall:

-Place leaves in windrows (long rows) or piles parallel to the street. The suction pipe only reaches about 5-7 feet off the edge of the pavement – leaves further away will not be collected until moved closer to the street.

-Place leaves in one long, continuous pile along the street edge instead of several small piles for more efficient pickup.

-Do not mix brush or garbage with the leaves. Material other than leaves (even small branches) can clog the leaf pipe and slow or even halt collection.

-Keep leaves loose. Leaves in bags will not be collected as part of the yard waste collection program. Bags can clog equipment at multiple steps along the way. Bagged leaves will not be collected under the garbage collection program unless they are placed inside the trash cart.

-Watch out for “fixed objects” in your yard. Do not place leaves over utility covers, landscaping fabric, or other materials you do not want affected; the vacuum is strong and can move or even remove these items. In order to collect large amounts of leaves the operators use a swinging motion with the pipe, and other objects like cars, mailboxes, or lawn art can impede efficient collection and increase chances of damage.

-While it is important to have piles close to the street, please do not place leaves on the street or on sidewalks. The leaves create a hazard to vehicle and bicycle traffic, and may block other services such as mail collection.

-Leaves are collected on a “week-of” schedule. This means your street is scheduled for a specific week and the truck will run your street once that week. Check your street’s [schedule](#), as pickup could be first thing Monday morning or as late as Friday afternoon.

Please call 311 with any questions about your leaf collection or other City services. Leaf collection is a service provided to City residents and households only. Businesses, apartment complexes, non-profits, and county residents can dispose of yard waste at facilities such as Living Earth.

8. Five Points Up Hosts Steps For Health

Five Points Up, a community-led group facilitated by the Knox County Health Department, is planning a variety of fall events for East Knoxville residents.

Five Points Up will host a “Steps for Health” walk on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will kick off with a “Power” breakfast at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 2137 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

Participants can choose between two walking levels. The first level, for the Modest Walker, will be a 3.9 km (2.4 miles) route that can be taken at a moderate pace. The second level, for the Power Walker, will be a 7.2 km (4.5 miles) route that can be taken at a more rapid pace. Both routes will end back at Tabernacle Baptist Church. Various “Hydration Stations” will be located along both routes to make sure walkers remain hydrated.

In addition, different community health organizations will be present to provide information and health screenings. This event is free to the public. [Pre-register](#) or register on site.

Five Points Up is also hosting a Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 21, at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 2137 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, from 1 to 4 p.m. The Fall Festival will include vendors from previous Eastside Sunday Markets and offer residents another opportunity to access fresh, affordable food straight from the source.

For more information on this event, contact Tanisha Baker (contact information below) or Nourish Knoxville at 865-805-8687.

For more information on all of the above events, contact Tanisha Baker by phone at 546-5125 or 215-5187 or by email at villageofknox@aol.com.

9. KKB Hosts Get Off Your Glass Recycling Day

Get Off Your Glass! Do you have bottles and jars at home? Are you waiting to dispose of your glass at the recycling center? Why not get a beer for your efforts!?

Join Sierra Nevada, Keep Knoxville Beautiful (KKB), Cherokee Distilling Company, and West Rock in celebration of [America Recycles Day!](#) Thursday, Nov. 15, bring your glass jars and bottles to the Bearden Beer Market, 4524 Old Kingston Pike, between 5-8 p.m. in exchange for a free beer from Sierra Nevada, plus some great swag!

Learn more about Get of Your Glass and other KKB events, by visiting their [website](#).

10. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (click link for online calendar)

Call 215-4382 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in [this Google calendar](#).

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a City of Knoxville public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. For an English interpreter, contact Title VI Coordinator Tatia M. Harris at 215-2831.

Other Calendars

Here are other online calendars that cover events outside of the neighborhood realm:

- [Arts & Culture Alliance](#) (There's More to Knoxville)
- [Arts & Fine Crafts Center Classes](#) (City of Knoxville)
- [City of Knoxville General Calendar](#)

About This Newsletter

- ** This Advisory is produced on most Tuesdays of the year.*
- ** Ideas and contributions are welcome. We reserve the right to edit submissions.*
- ** Deadline for news & calendar items: 5 p.m. Mondays*
- ** May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood e-mail lists and newsletters.*
- ** See past issues at our Website: <http://www.knoxvilletn.gov/neighborhoods>*
- ** Don't have Internet access? Call 215-4382 if you need a copy of a particular document.*